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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Pearce et al. )  
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For: Mitigating Errors in a )  
Distributed Speech Recognition )  
Process )  
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Serial No.: 09/830,306 )  
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Filed: April 25, 2001 )  
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Examiner: Wozniak, J. )  
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Art Unit: 2655 )

**Preliminary Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The present amendment is being filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and is responsive to an Office Action mailed February 1, 2006, with a three month period for response, the applicants would request the reconsideration and reexamination of the claims, in view of the present amendment and corresponding remarks.

In conjunction with the present response, a request for a one month extension is being simultaneously submitted, which would extend the response date from May 1, 2006 to June 1, 2006. In association therewith, a fee in the amount of \$120 is believed to be due. This is in addition to the fee associated with filing a Request for Continued Examination \$790 (\$910 total). The applicants' representative authorizes the Commissioner to charge the aforementioned fees, as well as any other fees deemed to be necessary in connection with entry and consideration of the RCE and the present preliminary amendment including any fee required to cover any deficiency associated with any underpayment, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2117, of Motorola, Inc.